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Dear Ladies and Gentleman

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Re:

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Ventracor Limited File # 82-4630

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Ventracor Limited (the "Company") is furnishing herewith information pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b)(1)(i) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act").

The attached documents are being furnished with the understanding that they will not be deemed "filed" with the Securities and Exchange Commission or otherwise subject to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, and that neither this letter nor the furnishing of such documents shall constitute an admission for any purpose that the Company is subject to the Exchange Act.

If you have any questions or comments please call the undersigned at (61) 02 9406 3100.

Very truly yours

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Artificial Heart Pilot Trial Update - Fourth Implant

<u>Monday, 15 December 2003:</u> Medical investigators today announced the fourth implant of Australia's 'artificial heart' at The Alfred hospital in Melbourne.

Chief Medical Investigator, Professor Don Esmore said the surgery went well and the patient was making a rapid recovery. He added the patient's condition was stable and the VentrAssist™ was performing well.

Two patients previously implanted with the VentrAssist[™] system continue to progress satisfactorily at home. A third patient remains in hospital and is making good progress daily.

This is the fourth implant of a series of up to 10 implants of the VentrAssist™ left ventricular assist system (LVAS) as part of a Pilot Trial at The Alfred hospital to evaluate the safety of the device.

At the discretion of the medical investigators, further patients are expected to be enrolled in due course.

The trial results will be based on outcomes from all patients. While individual results are very important, it is the accumulation of all data on the safety of the system that will decide the outcome of the trial.

Patients who are eligible to be implanted with the VentrAssist[™] are gravely ill. The trial protocol requires that they are not eligible for heart transplantation and are no longer responding to optimal medical therapy.

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